

branch for the fiscal year 2002, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All points of order are reserved on the bill.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2172

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 2172.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Rhode Island?

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Oregon (Mr. DEFAZIO) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. DEFAZIO addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. HORN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. HORN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PALLONE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

REVISIONS TO ALLOCATION FOR HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. NUSSLE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. NUSSLE. Mr. Speaker, Pursuant to Sec. 314 of the Congressional Budget Act and Sec. 221(c) of H. Con. Res. 83, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002, I submit for printing in the Congressional Record revisions to the allocations for the House Committee on Appropriations.

Adoption of the conference report on H.R. 2216, the bill making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2001, reverses the \$184,000,000 outlay adjustment for fiscal year 2002 that was required upon the reporting of that bill by the Appropriations Committee. The conference report on the supplemental did not include any emergency-designated appropriations, which necessitated the earlier adjustment.

As reported to the House, H.R. 2620, the bill making appropriations for Veterans Affairs,

Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies for fiscal year 2002, includes an emergency-designated appropriations providing \$1,300,000,000 in new budget authority to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. No outlays are expected to flow from that budget authority in fiscal year 2002. Under the provisions of both the Budget Act and the budget resolution, I must adjust the 302(a) allocations and budgetary aggregates upon the reporting of a bill containing emergency appropriations.

As passed by the House, H.R. 2590, the bill making appropriations for the Department of Treasury, the Postal Service, and General Government for fiscal year 2002, included \$146,000,000 in new budget authority and \$143,000,000 in outlays for an earned income tax credit compliance initiative. I also must adjust the 302(a) allocations and budgetary aggregates upon the reporting of a bill containing appropriations for that purpose, up to the limits specified in the Budget Act (which are the same as the amounts shown above).

To reflect these required adjustments, I hereby increase the 302(a) allocation to the House Committee on Appropriations to \$662,746,000,000 for budget authority and \$682,919,000,000 for outlays. The increase in the allocation also requires an increase in the budgetary aggregates to \$1,627,934,000,000 for budget authority and \$1,590,617,000,000 for outlays.

These adjustments apply while the relevant legislation is under consideration and take effect upon final enactment of such legislation. Questions may be directed to Dan Kowalski at 67270.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. LANGEVIN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. LANGEVIN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BROWN of Ohio addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mrs. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mrs. JONES of Ohio addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. HOYER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida (Ms. BROWN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. BROWN of Florida addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Utah (Mr. MATHESON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. MATHESON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Ms. CARSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. CARSON of Indiana addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

HMO REFORM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. GANSKE) is recognized for half the time between now and midnight as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. GANSKE. Mr. Speaker, we have some important issues coming up in this next week, I hope. One of those, I hope, will be a full debate with a fair rule on a patient's bill of rights.

We have been working on this legislation for about 5 years, and when we had this debate here on this floor 2 years ago, a young man and his mother came up from Atlanta, Georgia, to see how the debate would go. This little boy's name was James Adams.

When James was 6 months old, one night about 3 in the morning, he had a temperature of about 105 degrees. He was a pretty sick little baby. His mother phoned the 1-800-HMO number and she said, my little baby is really sick and has a temperature of over 104, and I think he needs to go to the emergency room. She was following the rules to get an authorization.

The HMO reviewer at the end of that telephone line said, well, I guess that would be all right. I will authorize you to go to this one particular emergency room because that is where we have our contract. But if you go to another one, you are on your own. So Jimmy's mother said, well, where is it? And the voice at the end of the telephone line said, I do not know, find a map.

Well, it turned out that this authorized hospital was clear on the other side of Atlanta, Georgia, at least 50 miles away. So, with an infant who was critically ill, a mom and dad who were not health professionals put little Jimmy in the car, they wrapped him up, and started their trek to the hospital. En route they passed three emergency rooms, but they did not have authorization to stop at those emergency rooms, and they knew if they did they would be left with the bill.

They were not medical professionals. They did not know how sick little Jimmy was.

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So they pushed on. But before they made it to the authorized emergency